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Letter dated 10 October 2011 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to my report of 29 September 2011 on the situation in Abyei (S/2011/603), in which I expressed my support for the 29 June 2011 Agreement on Border Security and the Joint Political and Security Mechanism and the 30 July 2011 Agreement on the Border Monitoring Support Mission between the Government of the Sudan and the Government of South Sudan.

In the report, I outlined a role that the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei could play in taking on additional tasks in relation to the implementation of these agreements.

In accordance with paragraphs 25 to 28 of that report, I wish to inform the Security Council that a preliminary assessment of the financial implications shows that the first year of full operations for support to the border mechanism would cost approximately $35.6 million.

Should the Council decide to approve the proposed amendment of the mandate, a request for additional funding would be presented to the General Assembly for its consideration. Such a proposal would be prepared with regard to an appropriate funding period, a projected deployment timeline for personnel and equipment and a detailed assessment of operating conditions.

I would be grateful if you could bring this matter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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